

HOUSE BILL 2857

By Kumar

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section
68-11-239, relative to central service technicians.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-239(b), is amended by
deleting the subsection and substituting:

(b) Unless otherwise permitted pursuant to this section, a person shall not
practice as a central service technician unless the person:

(1)

(A) Has successfully passed a nationally accredited central
service exam for central service technicians and holds and maintains:

(i) A certified registered central service technician
credential; or

(ii) A certified sterile processing and distribution technician
credential; or

(B) Was employed or otherwise contracted for services as a
central service technician by a healthcare institution before January 1,
2017; or

(2) Obtains a certified registered central service technician credential not
later than two (2) years after the person's date of hire or contracting for services
with a healthcare institution.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.